(c) Government have constituted a committee to monitor the selling prices of polyester fibre, polyester filament yarn and nylon filament yarn. The Committee keeps a watch over the price trends of polyester staple fibre etc. and advices the Government regarding remedial measures in the event of unreasonable hike in prices.

Bomb blast in Jeevan Dhara building

899. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a powerful bomb blast in LIC's Jeevan Dhara building in Connaught Place, New Delhi on the 10th May, 1988; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether the case was handed over to the Crime Branch of the Delhi Police;

(c) whether any clue has since been found in this connection; and

(d) if, so what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes. Sir, (The name of the building is Jeevan Bharti and not Jeevan Dhara). One person died on the spot and another died later in the hospital. 13 persons were injured. A case FIR No. 229 dated 10-5-1988 under section 302/307/436/427 IPC and 3/4 of the Explosive Substances Act. P. S. Connaught Place was registered.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) From the investigation conducted so far by the Crime Branch, a terrorist of Japanese origin is believed to be involved in this case. However, no arrest has been made in the case.

Establishment of new wildlife sanctuaries and National Park

900. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish new wildlife sanctuaries and national park in the country;

(b) whether Government have prepared a master plan for their development;

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) what is the estimated cost of development of these sanctuaries and parks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) The Wildlife Institute of India has in a recent publication suggested the establishment of 95 National Parks including upgradation of 48 existing Wildlife Sanctuaries in National Parks, and 239 new Wildlife Sanctuaries The establishment, control and management of National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries is carried out by the State Governments. Accordingly, copies of the report prepared by the Wildlife Institute of India have been forwarded to the State Governments.

(d) This would depend on the sepcific National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries that the State Governments may decide to set up.

Fire Safety measures in Government buildings in capital

901. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have sanctioned a sum of Rs. 11

crores for providing fire prevention and safety measures in Government buildings in the Capital;

(b) if so, what are the details of Government buildings where fire-fighting equipments are not in order;

(c) what are the details of the buildings in which fire fighting equipments will be installed; and

(d) by when the task will be completed.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Sale of plots of land in the Capital on Forged documents

902. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Crime Branch has recently arrested some persons in connection with the selling of plots of land in the Capital on forged documents;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what are the details of the incriminating documents, etc. seized during the raids; and

(d) what further action is contemplated by Government against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBRAM): (a) to (d) Three cases under various sections of the IPC have been registered and all the accused have been arrested. During the raid, perpetual lease papers, sale deed papers, challan forms of different banks, fake sanctions of plans, show cause notices to the allottees of the plots with their replies, possesion letters of DDA, will papers and special power of attorney papers were seized by the Delhi Police.

Setting up of Regional Offices for preparation of Environmental management Plans

903. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up regional offices to facilitate speedier preparation of environmental management plans for new projects and for better monitoring of their implementation;

(b) if so, the names of the places where such regional offices will be set up;

(c) the criteria on which the locations have been identified; and

(d) to what extent the regional offices will keep a close watch on preservation of forests etc?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) Six Regional Offices have been sanctioned by the Ministry of Environment and Forests with Headquarters at Shillong, Calcutta, Bangalore, Bhopal, Chandigarh and Lucknow.

(c) the headquarters of these offices have been located within each region taking into account the coverage, access, load of work, facilities available, etc.

(d) The functions of the Regional Offices include the following:

A. *Forestry functions*

(i) To monitor and evaluate all ongoing forestry development projects and schemes with specific